CALFED Bay-Delta Program Basic Work Plan Elements - Phase I

I. Problem Definition

Prepare a statement which describes the scope of issues which need to be addressed and the geographic scope of the potential solutions. Facilitate a collaborative process which develops the final problem definition.

Projected Completion

Early July

Accelerated Completion¹

Early July

II. Mission Statement

Facilitate a collaborative process which develops CALFED Goals and Objectives for the Estuary along with broad Project Purposes and evaluation criteria.

Projected Completion

Late July

Accelerated Completion¹

Late July

III. CEQA/NEPA Scoping

Prepare a Notice of Intent/Notice of Preparation. Conduct pre-scoping and formal scoping sessions. Compile public comments and prepare a formal scoping document.

Projected Completion

November 1995

Accelerated Completion¹

November 1995

IV. Develop Broad Strategies for Alternatives Formation

Facilitate a collaborative process to develop board approaches or strategies which can be used to group actions into program alternatives.

Projected Completion

Late September 1995

Accelerated Completion¹

Early July 1995

V. Formulate Preliminary Alternatives

Combine separate solution actions into comprehensive, broad based, and balanced alternatives.

Projected Completion

Late January 1996

Accelerated Completion¹

Mid September 1995

¹The accelerated completion schedule assumes that only a minimum number of workshops will be held, that only preliminary analysis of alternative will be performed, and that CALFED will screen alternatives to a preferred list of three early in the process using that preliminary analysis.

VI. Coarse Screening

Perform coarse screening of alternatives. Reformulate as necessary to satisfy broad criteria.

Projected Completion

April 1996

Accelerated Completion¹

Mid November 1995

VII. Preliminary Analysis

Prepare reconnaissance level analysis and environmental assessment of alternatives and perform second level screening.

Projected Completion

Late June 1996

Accelerated Completion¹

Mid January 1996

VIII. Facilitate Broad Based Support for a Short List of Alternatives

Facilitate a series of workshops whose objective is achieving broad based support for a short list of six to ten alternatives (or alternatively to three with the accelerated completion schedule).

Projected Completion

Late July 1996

Accelerated Completion¹

March 1996²

IX. Perform Detailed Analysis of the Short List of Alternatives

Prepare detailed model studies, environmental studies, engineering studies, economic and financial studies, energy studies, risk studies, and studies of the required institutional arrangements for the short list of alternatives. Perform final screening.

Projected Completion

Late September 1996

Accelerated Completion¹

March 1996²

X. Facilitate a Collaborative Process which Develops the Preferred Alternative List Facilitate a series of CALFED workshops whose objective is to develop broad based support for a preferred list of not more than three alternatives which will be the subject of detailed environmental analysis and documentation.

Projected Completion

October 1996

Accelerated Completion¹

March 1996²

XI. Aggressive Public Affairs Program

Continuous throughout Phase I

²With the accelerated completion schedule this step is not necessary as the list of alternatives was screened to three using preliminary analysis data.